## LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Special Contracts and Appointments Committee Meeting November 30, 2009 3:11 PM City Hall, Third Floor

Present: Chair: CW Welch

> Vice Chair: CM Heiner Members: CW Woolridge

Excused Absence: **CM Kramer and CM Unseld** 

Chairwoman Welch began the meeting by announcing the members and non-members of the committee that were present. A quorum was established.

## Pending Legislation

R-235-11-09 A RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO THE CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGET ORDINANCES, APPROVING THE APPROPRIATION TO FUND THE FOLLOWING NONCOMPETITIVELY NEGOTIATED RENEWAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT -ROOSEVELT LIGHTSY, JR. - \$40,750.00.

> Status: In-Committee

Committee: **Contracts and Appointments** 

Barbara Shanklin Primary Sponsor:

Motion to approve made by Mary C. Woolridge and second by Hal Heiner.

Discussion: Tracey Neathery and Faith Augustine with the Criminal Justice Commission spoke to the item. The following was discussed.

- Renewal Professional Service Contract with Roosevelt Lightsy, Jr.
  - ✓ Position for the Justice Reinvestment Project
    - Extending Mr. Lightsy time as liaison for the project
    - The source of the grant is from the Open Society Institute
      - Received \$50.000 year of 2007
      - Received \$100,000, July, 2009 have two years to spend the funds
      - Private non-profit organization
- Goals of the Program
  - The Newburg Justice Reinvestment Project is an Offender Re-entry Program
    - The program has been funded 100% by the State
    - The program focus on the individual needs of the offender who is returning to their home neighborhood
    - o Focus on the neighborhood and the community revitalization efforts
    - The liaison work with the community members in the neighborhood to identify priority items that the neighborhood would like to focus on
    - Job development for the offenders
- RING Reinvestment Neighborhood Group
  - Have family support meetings twice a month that the liaison co-ordinates
  - Small portion of the contract is used for the family support meetings
    - Expenses in the budget for supplies and refreshments
- ❖ The Open Society Institute funded the program for two years and doubled the budget
- Have currently 28 participants in the program
- ❖ Over the long term of the program 151 participants

- ❖ Focus is on preparing the offenders for full time employment
- ❖ In the next couple weeks there will be a Resolution before the Council to approve a program similar in the Western area

By unanimous vote, this item was sent to the **Consent Calendar** on the December 3, 2009 Council Agenda.

## **Passed**

For: 3; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

For: Vicki Aubrey Welch, Hal Heiner, Mary C. Woolridge

Against: (None) Abstain: (None)

Absent: Kevin Kramer, George Unseld

Motion to Adjourn made by Hal Heiner.

Without objection the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

\*NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the December 3, 2009 Council Meeting.

MEM